

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

Odds at Chicago are on the dark horse.

The delegates from Utah and Vermont ought to be given front seats at Chicago.

Several more June brides this week. And still there are more to follow.

American marines killed eleven Haitian rebels Sunday who were resisting arrest.

Germany claims to have destroyed or captured 45 aeroplanes and to have lost only 16 during May.

Gov. Gen. Goethals, of the canal zone, has reiterated his desire to retire to private life.

A band of Mexican raiders is said to be preparing for a strike at the Laredo, Texas, border.

The constitutional amendment providing for women suffrage in Iowa, was defeated Monday by 5,000 to 10,000.

The Court of Appeals has upheld the constitutionality of the workmen's compensation law, which takes effect August 1st.

Dave Kincheloe was one of the orators who paid tribute to Jefferson Davis, in the House, June 3, the 108th anniversary of his birth at Fairview, Ky.

Somebody threw a pocket-knife at Roosevelt the other day. A man who has had the gaff put to him like Teddy, ought not to mind a little thing like that.

Pablo Lopez, Villa's chief lieutenant in the raid upon Columbus, N. M., Monday paid the penalty for his crimes, facing a firing squad of Constitutional soldiers at Santa Rosa, Chihuahua's place of execution.

Beach Hargis, serving a life sentence for the murder of his father, Judge Jas. Hargis, at Jackson, in 1908, was paroled from the Frankfort prison Tuesday and left at once for Lexington, where his mother is ill in a hospital. His parole is conditional upon his abstaining from the use of liquor, which caused his crime.

A Reuter dispatch from Zurich says that members of the German landsturm, class of 1917, who are living abroad, have been ordered to return home immediately. The landsturm is a home defense force which includes, in addition to trained soldiers between the ages of 39 and 45 years, all those between the ages of 17 and 39 who have received no military training.

Col. Felix G. Ewing and W. W. Radford met about 40 tobacco growers in conference here Tuesday and were still here yesterday discussing the reorganization of the Planters Association. Mr. Radford stated that most of the other counties were waiting to see what Christian will do. If this county will take the lead the reorganization of the Association will be assured. He said an organization this year to help the farmers hold their tobacco would have saved \$400,000 on the 1915 crop.

HARRY CLARK IN TROUBLE.

Harry Clark on Monday made an attack with a knife on Weston Wood and succeeded in inflicting a scalp wound, before Wood beat him off with a stick.

On Tuesday afternoon Clark got into a quarrel with John Armstrong, bar-tender at Ferguson's saloon, on Virginia street, and was ordered out of the saloon, Armstrong refusing to sell him any liquor. He left and shortly returned with a new .38 Smith & Wesson pistol that he had purchased and shot twice at Armstrong. One shot broke a mirror and the other lodged in a door facing as Armstrong went out. Clark was shortly afterwards arrested and the grand jury will investigate the case.

KITCHENER IS DROWNED

War Minister with Staff Lost When Steamer Sinks Off Orkneys in North Sea.

ALL ENGLAND IS BADLY STUNNED

Was on Way to Russia—Details of Disaster Are Not Given Out.

London, June 7.—The news that Earl Kitchener, secretary of state for war, and his staff who were proceeding to Russia aboard the cruiser Hampshire, were lost off the Orkney islands Monday night was the most stunning blow Great Britain has received since the war began.

This is the second shock the country has sustained within a week. The other was when the newspapers appeared Friday evening with the first intelligence of the naval battle in the North sea in the form of a list of ships lost with virtually no intimation that there was any compensation in the way of enemy losses. The bulletin telling of the death of Kitchener gave the country even greater shock.

Kitchener was the one outstanding personality whom the people talked of and believed in as a great man, notwithstanding newspaper attacks which at a former period of the war threatened to undermine his popularity and the public confidence in him.

GREAT CROWDS ASSEMBLE.

When the official announcement was issued, the fact spread about London, some time before the newspapers could get into the streets. The windows of the war office had the curtains lowered. That confirmed the rumor beyond doubt. Other crowds gathered around the newspaper offices; when the boys came out with an armful of extras the people fell on them and fought for the papers. In the course of the afternoon the flags on all buildings were flown half mast.

MEMBERS OF STAFF.

Accompanying Earl Kitchener as his staff, were Hugh James O'Beirne, former councillor of the British embassy at Petrograd and former minister at Sofia; O. A. Fitzgerald, Earl Kitchener's private military secretary; Brig. Gen. Ellershaw and Sir Frederick Donaldson.

The English undoubtedly are a stoical people and have taken the good and bad tidings of the war as they came with an absence of emotion surprising to outsiders. But no one could have walked the London streets today without perceiving that something which the common people took as a calamity had befallen them.

FOREIGN OFFICE SADDENED.

The foreign office was saddened by the loss of one of its most valued members, Hugh James O'Beirne, while Sir Frederick Donaldson and Brig. Gen. Ellershaw of the ministry of munitions were known to be men whom the nation could little afford to lose.

The fact that the cruiser Hampshire with between 200 and 300 men had sunk was generally accepted as an unfortunate detail in these days when a thousand go under almost as an incident of warfare.

SUCCESSOR NOT DECIDED.

The king came from Windsor and sent for Premier Asquith when he heard the news. The war council held a long session. Naturally speculation regarding Kitchener's successor began immediately. Among those discussed were David Lloyd George, Lord Derby and the chief of the imperial staff, Sir William Robertson. But whether a military man or a civilian will take the war office has not yet been decided.

Earl Kitchener met death at a moment which will insure his position in British history. He was almost the only member of the government who from the beginning confidently asserted that this would be a long war—his lowest estimate was three years—and he insisted that the government

59 ARKANSANS DIE IN TORNADO

Series of Terrific Storms Sweep State Leaving Death in Wake.

MORE THAN 100 INJURED

25 Known Dead in Judsonia, Where Third of Town Is Swept Away.

Little Rock, Ark., June 5.—Fifty-nine persons have been reported dead and more than a hundred injured in a series of tornadoes that swept Arkansas this afternoon. All means of communication are crippled and it is feared the list of dead and injured will be increased by later reports.

The dead thus far reported are as follows:

- Judsonia, White county, twenty-five known dead and fifty injured.
- Heber Springs, eighteen dead.
- DeLark, Dallas county, four dead.
- Cabot, White county, four dead.
- Hot Springs, four dead.
- Morrilton, one dead.
- Greenland, Washington county, two dead.

North Arkansas appears to have suffered most severely, although the storm was general throughout the state.

At Judsonia, one-third of the town was said to have been swept away. The tornado swept clean an area of four blocks wide and twelve blocks long. Twenty-five bodies and fifty injured already had been taken from the ruins at 10 o'clock, reports said.

Four persons were killed and heavy property damage was caused by a tornado that swept over Hot Springs, Ark., according to dispatches reaching here. A church was demolished, a skating rink blown down and the electric light plant was damaged. The city is without light or power.

should make its plans accordingly.

ORGANIZED BIGGEST VOLUNTEER ARMY.

Of several things that entitle Earl Kitchener to a place in world history, the most notable is that he organized the largest volunteer army the world has ever seen, in the greatest war of all times.

Within a year from the sudden outbreak of the European war in August, 1914, the ranks of British fighting men were quadrupled by an increase from less than 1,000,000 to nearly 4,000,000.

DEATH CLAIMS YUAN SHI-KAI

President of Chinese Republic Succumbs to Short Illness of Stomach Trouble.

SOLVES POLITICAL CRISIS

Li Yuan Hung, Vice-President and Successor, Acceptable to Leaders.

Peking, June 7.—Yuan Shi-Kai, president of the Chinese republic, died Tuesday. Premier Tuan Chi-Jui immediately advised Li Yuan Hung, the vice president, of his succession to the presidency.

Yuan Shi-Kai had been ill for several days with stomach trouble, which was followed by nervous breakdown. Quiet prevails today at the capitol. The death of the president apparently solves the heated political crisis. Li Yuan Hung's succession to the presidency meets the demands of the leaders in the southern provinces.

Yuan Shi-Kai was reported to have been seriously ill on May 28. At that time dispatches from China said it was believed in Peking that the president had been poisoned, but this report was denied by the Chinese ambassador at Washington, who insisted the president was not even ill.

Yuan Shi-Kai died while the storms of the revolution were gathering in increasing strength. The revolt broke out in December, 1915, when the president announced his intention of establishing a monarchy and ascending the throne as the first emperor of a new dynasty. His coronation was set for early in February of this year but was postponed indefinitely owing to the extraordinary rapidity with which the revolt spread through southern China. Several attempts were made upon the president's life and a bomb plot was discovered in the imperial palace.

MONARCHY IS OPPOSED.

The establishing of a monarchy was strenuously opposed by Japan and the final abandonment of the plan was largely credited to the representations made by Tokio.

The revolt progressed, however, and in March the governors of the Chinese provinces demanded the resignation of the president. In May the provinces of San Shi and Shan Tung announced their independence and a provisional government was established by the general commanding the revolutionary forces in the south. President Yuan Shi-Kai announced on May 26 his intention to resign when a suitable successor was chosen.

Mrs. G. C. Koffman has gone to Wetumka, Okla., to be at the bedside of her mother, who is seriously ill.

THIRD PARTY BEFORE TEDDY

OFF FOR THE BLUE GRASS

Boosters and Farmers To The Number of 125 Start Here.

NO. DOUBLED EN ROUTE

Howell, McKenzie, Foster, Cooper, Knight and Other Orators Aboard.

The excursion from Western Kentucky to Bath and other Central Kentucky counties, under the direction of Geoffrey Morgan, who started from here, left at 9 o'clock Tuesday night in special Pullman cars. About 125 persons mobilized here from seven counties. Other cars were picked up at Guthrie, Russellville and Bowling Green. The city of Lexington decided not to entertain the farmers as first announced. They will visit several counties and stop in Jefferson Saturday, returning here Saturday night.

The following list is almost complete of those who left here. The names of a few late comers could not be secured:

CHRISTIAN.

- Henry Altschuler, J. C. Askew, P. H. Allensworth, M. E. Bacon, Howard Brame, P. M. Barker, W. C. Binns, E. H. Bryant, J. E. Bouldin, A. M. Casey, G. L. Campbell, W. B. Cloud, T. P. Coleman, R. E. Cooper, W. L. Caudle, Clint Cayce, S. L. Cowherd, L. R. Davis, F. M. Dulin, W. R. Dudley, W. E. Forgy, J. W. Foard, H. H. Fulcher, L. E. Foster, H. E. Farrer, Jno. W. Garnett, Holland Garnett, J. J. Garrett, M. C. Garrett, Joseph Gary, R. C. Gary, Jr., H. S. Gaines, N. B. Garrett, John C. Gary, A. M. Henry, C. R. Harlow, W. R. Howell, W. H. Jones, Walter Knight, Will Logan, Richard Leavell, Geo. E. Lackey, W. A. Mason, J. M. Major, Prentice Mercer, H. M. Massey, Sam Morris, Wm. Morris, J. L. McGee, W. A. McKenzie, Jas. A. McKenzie, L. R. Neal, S. A. Powell, Allen Radford, Ira C. Rhea, Otis Rhea, L. H. Smithson, G. H. Stowe, L. A. Summers, W. H. Summerhill, W. H. Summerhill, Jr., E. G. Thompson, M. F. Winfree, A. H. Wallace, Ed L. Weathers.

TRIGG COUNTY.

- K. L. Varney, Co. Agent.
- N. E. Nabb, Magistrate, Wallonia.
- W. H. Smith, Magistrate, Golden Pond.

- R. L. Nunn, Magistrate, Linton.
- D. A. Mitchell, Golden Pond.
- E. W. Rhoads, " "
- Millard Nunn, Linton.
- Sam McNichols, " "
- N. B. Wolfe, " "
- C. S. Coleman, Gracey.
- Ed Litchfield, Cadiz.
- Calvert Wallace, " "
- Claude Wadlington.
- J. S. Lawrence, Cadiz.

Mr. Lawrence is the official representative of the Trigg County Development Association.

UNION.

- John T. Sugg, County Agent; Will Nace Spaulding, Benton O'Nan, Jack Cambrom, Freeman Tucker, W. T. Harris, Mayor of Morganfield; Berry Conway, Robt. Young, Ruser Long, W. T. Quinn, Jas. Huckleby, Robt. Hosman, Chas. M. Meacham, Jr., Tucker McElroy, H. F. Allaway, Ben W. Dyer, Carroll Martin, Gus Hammock, Ellis Brown, Jack Roberts, E. E. Proctor, Robt. Wayne, Elliott Morton, Jack Waller, Jack Young.

HENDERSON.

County Agent Brown.

CRITTENDEN.

- J. Robt. Bird, Hugh Bennett, John Guess, George Johnson, Albert Mc-

Bourbons Will Not Accept Roosevelt and Moosers Object to Hughes.

OHIO HOLDS KEY TO SITUATION

Predicted as Harding Having Best Chance and Fairbanks Second.

Chicago, June 7.—The situation seems to be Ohio. The old guard will go to any limit to prevent a bolt, except to nominate Roosevelt. If refusal to nominate the colonel means a third ticket, they have made up their minds to go through another campaign with a divided party.

To please Roosevelt they would nominate Hughes. But the progressives do not want Hughes any more than the standpatters do. So Hughes is eliminated.

The candidate will be a man from the Middle West and Fairbanks has the second best chance. The best bet is a dark horse. The leaders are so tied up with favorite sons that it is difficult to unite on any one. Of the candidates in the field Senator Harding of Ohio is the most talked of dark horse.

Roosevelt is believed to be opposed to a third ticket and will stake his hopes on the regular nomination. The radical progressives will nominate Roosevelt, anyhow, ahead of the other nomination, is the present outlook.

At 11:48 the convention was called to order and Senator Warren G. Harding, of Ohio, was elected temporary chairman unanimously and committees were announced.

The Progressive convention was called to order at 12:30.

OPEN SESSION BY THE OWLS

Vocal and Instrumental Music Part of Program--Refreshments Served.

The local lodge of Owls held their regular weekly meeting at their lodge room in the Cooper Building on South Main Tuesday night and after the transaction of business an open session was held, which proved a most enjoyable affair. The program consisted of several songs by a sextet and music by the Old Time fiddlers. A bountiful supply of luncheon—strawberries, cake and lemonade, was served during the evening.

This lodge is in a most flourishing condition, the membership numbering more than two hundred at this time, and there are about fifty candidates for membership who will be initiated at the next regular meeting, which will be held next Tuesday night.

CLAIMS THIS AS HOME.

A man giving his name as Wm. Walker and Hopkinsville as his home was found in a serious condition near Maysville, Ky., and said two negroes had beaten him up, robbed him of \$6.50 and thrown him from a train.

Bowen-Dinneen.

William H. Bowen, of Clarksville, and Miss Mary Catherine Dinneen, of this city, were married here Tuesday. Rev. J. P. Welsh performed the ceremony.

Connell, W. L. Terry.

CALDWELL.

- Dr. J. N. Bailey, J. M. Ligon, W. M. Martin, Ed Rice, F. T. Satterfield, Dr. Jno. B. Wadlington.

MCCRACKEN.

- W. J. Piggott, County Agent; Herbert Anderson, E. Futrell, W. M. Wilkinson, Dr. L. D. Sanders.

